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verify (by looking in the System for Award Management (SAM)) whether the contractor has any delinquent debt subject to collection under the Treasury Offset Program (TOP) at contract award and order placement. Information on TOP is available at http://fms.treas.gov/debt/index.html.

- (ii) The contracting officer shall not authorize the Governmentwide commercial purchase card as a method of payment during any period the SAM indicates that the contractor has delinquent debt subject to collection under the TOP. In such cases, payments under the contract shall be made in accordance with the clause at 52.232–33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management, or 52.232–34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than System for Award Management, as appropriate (see FAR 32.1110(d)).
- (iii) Contracting officers shall not use the presence of the SAM debt flag indicator to exclude a contractor from receipt of the contract award or issuance or placement of an order.
- (iv) The contracting officer may take steps to authorize payment by Governmentwide commercial purchase card when a contractor alerts the contracting officer that the SAM debt flag indicator has been changed to no longer show a delinquent debt.
- (c) The clause at 52.232–36, Payment by Third Party, requires that the contract—
- (1) Identify the third party and the particular purchase card to be used; and
- (2) Not include the purchase card account number. The purchase card account number should be provided separately to the contractor.

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32.1109 EFT information submitted by offerors.

If offerors are required to submit EFT information prior to award, the successful offeror is not responsible for resubmitting this information after award of the contract except to make changes, or to place the information on invoices if required by agency procedures. Therefore, contracting officers

shall forward EFT information provided by the successful offeror to the appropriate office.

32.1110 Solicitation provision and contract clauses.

- (a) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at—
- (1) 52.232–33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management, in solicitations and contracts that include the provision at 52.204–7 or an agency clause that requires a contractor to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database and maintain registration until final payment, unless—
- (i) Payment will be made through a third party arrangement (see 13.301 and paragraph (d) of this section); or
- (ii) An exception listed in 32.1103(a) through (i) applies.
- (2)(i) 52.232–34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than System for Award Management, in solicitations and contracts that require EFT as the method for payment but do not include the provision at 52.204–7, System for Award Management, or a similar agency clause that requires the contractor to be registered in the SAM database.
- (ii)(A) If permitted by agency procedures, the contracting officer may insert in paragraph (b)(1) of the clause, a particular time after award, such as a fixed number of days, or event such as the submission of the first request for payment.
- (B) If no agency procedures are prescribed, the time period inserted in paragraph (b)(1) of the clause shall be "no later than 15 days prior to submission of the first request for payment."
- (b) If the head of the agency has authorized, in accordance with 32.1106, to use a nondomestic EFT mechanism, the contracting officer shall insert in solicitations and contracts a clause substantially the same as 52.232–33 or 52.232–34 that clearly addresses the nondomestic EFT mechanism.
- (c) If EFT information is to be submitted to other than the payment office in accordance with agency procedures, the contracting officer shall insert in solicitations and contracts the